

FINAL APPROVED

VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE FORMAL HEARING MINUTES

Friday, January 21, 2011	Department of Health Professions Perimeter Center 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300	Henrico, Virginia
CALL TO ORDER:	A panel of the Board was called to order at 1:03 p.m.	
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Stephen Heretick, J.D., Chair Claudette Dalton, M.D. Deeni Bassam, M.D. Valerie Hoffman, D.C. Jennifer Lee, M.D. Gopinath Jadhav, M.D.	
BOARD COUNSEL:	Amy Marschean, Sr. Assistant Attorney General	
STAFF PRESENT:	Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline Renée S. Dixon, Discipline Case Manager	
COURT REPORTER:	Lynn Taylor, Farnsworth & Taylor Reporting	
PARTIES ON BEHALF OF COMMONWEALTH:	Corie E. Tillman Wolf, Assistant Attorney General Kelly Wynne, Adjudication Specialist	
COMMONWEALTH WITNESS:	Helen Kelley, Sr. Investigator, DHP Howard J. Cohen, M.D.	
MATTER SCHEDULED:	Sharry T. Hamasaki, M.D.	License No.: 0101-032510 Case No.: 134335
PRELIMINARY MATTERS:	The Chair noted that the time was 1:07 p.m., and Dr. Hamasaki was not present. Ms. Wolf advised that communications had been received from Dr. Hamasaki's sister who stated that Dr. Hamasaki was currently in a nursing home and would not be able to attend the hearing. Further, the sister advised that no continuance was being requested. Ms. Wolf presented documentation verifying that Dr. Hamasaki had been sent notice of the hearing by certified and 1 st class mail, in addition, to the documents being hand delivered on January 5, 2011, to her address of record with the Board.	

their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Board in its deliberations.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Board re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

DECISION:

Upon a motion by Dr. Hoffmam, and duly seconded by Dr. Jadhav, the Board made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to continue the suspension of Dr. Hamasaki's license.


VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:


The Board adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

The decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decisions of this formal hearing panel.



Stephen Heretick, J.D., Chair

2/17/11
Date



William L. Harp, M.D., Executive Director

6/20/11
Date